

SEC. 17. Section 411 of such Act is renumbered as section 412, section 412 of such Act is renumbered as section 413, and a new section 411 inserted as follows:

"SEC. 411. The Secretary is authorized to issue such regulations as may be necessary to carry out article 7 of the International Sugar Agreement for the Regulation of the Production and Marketing of Sugar (ratified by and with the advice and consent of the United States Senate on April 29, 1954), restricting importations of sugar into the United States from foreign countries not participating in such agreement, or to carry out the corresponding provisions of any such future agreements ratified by and with the advice and consent of the United States Senate."

SEC. 18. Renumbered section 412 of such Act (relating to termination of the powers of the Secretary under the Act) is amended by striking out "1956" in each place it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "1960".

SEC. 19. Sections 4501 (c) and 6412 (d) (relating to the termination of taxes on sugar) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 are amended by striking out "1957" in each place it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "1961".

SEC. 20. Section 4502 (4), chapter 37, subchapter A, "Sugar", of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended as follows: Strike out the parenthetical word "(Clerget)" where it occurs in the first sentence and delete the second sentence thereof.

SEC. 21. (a) Section 4504, chapter 37, subchapter A, "Sugar", of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by adding before the period at the end thereof the following: ", and except that such tax may be subject to refunds as a tax under the provisions of section 6418 (a)".

(b) Section 6418 (a) of chapter 65 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is amended by striking out the "(a)" immediately following "section 4501".

SEC. 22. Except as otherwise provided, the amendments made hereby shall become effective as of January 1, 1956, except that sections 1 through 4 shall become effective upon publication in the Federal Register of regulations implementing such sections, or six months after the date of enactment of this Act, whichever is earlier.

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7 USC 1101 note.

Regulations.

TIAS 3177.

7 USC 1101 note.
Termination.

Taxes.
68 A Stat. 533,
795.
26 USC 4501,
6412.

26 USC 4502.

26 USC 4504.

26 USC 6418.

Effective dates.

Publication in
FR.

Public Law 546

CHAPTER 343

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District of New Mexico for the payment of operation and maintenance charges on certain Pueblo Indian lands.

May 29, 1956
[H. R. 9207]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the Act of August 27, 1935 (49 Stat. 887), as amended by section 5 of the Act of June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 779), and by the Act of April 24, 1946 (60 Stat. 121), authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to provide by agreement with the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, a subdivision of the State of New Mexico, for the payment of operation and maintenance charges on newly reclaimed Pueblo Indian lands and lands purchased by the United States by virtue of the Act of June 7, 1924 (43 Stat. 636), as amended, for certain Pueblo Indians, are hereby extended for an additional period of ten years to 1965.

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Pueblo Indian
lands.

Public Law 547

CHAPTER 348

May 31, 1956
[H. R. 8904]

AN ACT

To amend certain laws relating to the grade of certain personnel of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps upon retirement.

Armed Forces.
Retired lists,
advancement.

10 USC 1002,
1004.

10 USC 594.

10 USC 943a
note.
Effective date.
Retirement ap-
plication.

10 USC 943a,
971b.

34 USC 350i.

34 USC 350i.

10 USC 1005.

34 USC 410c.

Restriction.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That—

(1) subsections 203 (a) and 203 (e) of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (62 Stat. 1085, 1086) are amended by striking the words “during the period September 9, 1940, to June 30, 1946,”; and

(2) section 5 of the Act of August 21, 1941, as amended (62 Stat. 1085), is further amended by striking the words “during the period September 9, 1940, to June 30, 1946.”

SEC. 2. (a) Section 2 of the Act of July 16, 1953 (ch. 203, 67 Stat. 175), is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 2. This Act takes effect on June 29, 1948.”

(b) A retired member of the Army or the Air Force who would have been eligible to be retired in a higher grade or advanced to a higher grade on a retired list if the amendment made by subsection (a) of this section had been in effect at the time of his discharge or release from active duty as a commissioned officer, shall, if he applies within one year after the effective date of this Act, be advanced on the applicable retired list to that higher grade, and be entitled to retired pay on and after the effective date of this Act at the rate prescribed by section 5 of the Act of July 31, 1935 (49 Stat. 507), as amended, for that grade.

SEC. 3. Section 10 (b) (2) of the Act of July 24, 1941, as added by subsection 8 (a) of the Act of February 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 28), is amended by adding after the word “Act” the words “or title III of the Act of August 7, 1947 (61 Stat. 829)”.

SEC. 4. (a) Subsection 10 (e) of the Act of July 24, 1941, as added by subsection 8 (a) of the Act of February 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 28), is repealed effective February 21, 1946.

(b) Subsection 203 (f) of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (62 Stat. 1086) is repealed.

(c) Section 1 (c) of the Act of August 9, 1955 (69 Stat. 615), repealing section 7 (c) of the Act of February 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 26), is effective February 21, 1946.

(d) No part of this Act deprives any member or former member of the Armed Forces of entitlement to the retired or retirement pay to which he was entitled on the day before the day on which that part takes effect.

SEC. 5. No person is entitled to advancement on the retired list or to an increase in retired or retirement pay because of this Act for any period before the effective date of this Act.

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Public Law 548

CHAPTER 349

June 4, 1956
[S. 460]

AN ACT

To amend section 4482 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (46 U. S. C. 475), relating to life preservers for river steamers.

River steamers.
Life preservers.
46 USC 475.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4482 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is amended to read as follows: